

date of publication. The author has been overwhelmed by his wealth of material and the rapidity of the pace that has been set in the study of these insects. We are of the opinion that the name *Sabethinæ* should obtain for this group, as founded on the oldest included genus.

Lutz's table of genera is translated from the Portuguese and copied, with sundry mutilations, which are not pointed out. Dr. Lutz is able to prepare a table in proper dichotomous form, but the translation would not lead one to think so. On page 593 a figure is copied from Goeldi which purports to be "Siphon of *Trichoprosopon nivipes* Theobald." That this really represents the larva of *Limatus durhami* Theob., probably makes no difference to our author, since apparently all larvæ look alike to him. It might, however, mislead some reader who was not acquainted with Dr. Goeldi's work.

Theobald retains *Trichoprosopon* (not *Trichoprosopus* Macq.) instead of *Joblotia* Blanchard, regarding the difference in termination as sufficient distinction. We do not concur in this view, the names meaning the same and being so similar as to cause confusion. Still this is a matter subject to opinion; but not so the use of *Joblotia* for a distinct genus, which is wholly unwarranted. That genus should be known as *Lesticocampa* D. & K.

The genera *Philodendromyia* and *Polylepidomyia* are placed here; but as both are stated to have the metanotum nude, this position is incomprehensible, unless indeed a deliberate attempt has been made to confuse the reader.

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NOTICE FROM THE NEWARK ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

The headquarters of the Newark Entomological Society on the fourth floor of the Newark Turn Hall were completely destroyed by fire in the early morning of June 3, 1907. The conflagration demolished not only the entire building, but resulted in the loss of three lives.

The property of the Society consisted of a forty drawer cabinet containing one thousand specimens of Lepidoptera and two thousand

five hundred specimens of Coleoptera, mostly representing local forms, besides a small collection in other orders; also a book case with one hundred and ten bound volumes and three hundred and sixty-five unbound volumes and pamphlets. All of this property was consumed by the flames except a few books that were in the hands of members. This collection of publications and insects was the accumulation of over twenty years of the Society's existence, and as the loss was only partially covered by insurance it will be a long time before it can be replaced. Some of the books, perhaps, can never be obtained again.

The Society will be exceedingly grateful for any help in the way of rebuilding the library that may be given it. Entomologists are earnestly invited to send separates of their papers or other publications that they may have in duplicate, for which the costs of transmission will be gladly refunded. Until the Society is again established in permanent quarters parcels should be addressed to the secretary, at New Brunswick, New Jersey.

JOHN A. GROSSBECK,
Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW YORK ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 1907.

Held at the American Museum of Natural History. President C. W. Leng in the chair with fourteen members and one visitor present.

The librarian, Mr. Schaeffer, reported the receipt of the following exchanges:

Canadian Entom., XXXIX, No. 1.

University of Montana, Bull. 37, Geological Series, No. 2.

The Polymorphism of Ants, with an Account of Some Singular Abnormalities Due to Parasitism. Prof. W. M. Wheeler.

Zeitschrift für wissenschaftl. Insektenbiologie, II, No. 12.

Verhandl. d. k.-k. zool.-bot. Gesellschaft. Wien, LVI, Nos. 8 and 9.

The Insect World, X, No. 12.

The Solitary Wasps. Geo. W. and Elizabeth G. Peckham.

The treasurer made a report of the condition of the finances of the society.

Mr. Harris chairman of the auditing committee stated that the books of the treasurer had been audited and found correct and moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the treasurer for the care and solicitude exercised by him in the discharge of his duties during the past year. Motion carried.

Messrs. E. P. Felt, E. A. Bischoff, J. R. de la Torre Bueno, proposed at the last meeting for active membership and Professor J. B. Smith as corresponding member, were elected by single ballot on motion of Mr. Groth.